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H. S. IVES'S WIDOW DIES IN POVERTY.



MRS. H. S. IVES.
(Formerly Gertrude Sears.)

Disappeared from Her Home in New York, Went to California, and Coming East, Expired in a Cincinnati Sanitarium, Which She Entered Under an Assumed Name.

The body of Mrs. Gertrude Sears Ives, widow of the "Napoleon of Finance," will arrive in this city this evening from Cincinnati, where she died in a private hospital on Thursday last. She was penniless.

She was shipped last night to Miss Sallie Clark, of No. 227 West One Hundred and Sixteenth street, her old friend, to whom her unexpected death is a great shock. The circumstances attending Mrs. Ives's passing away are tinged with mystery.

She was known as Mrs. Graham, and her identity was not disclosed until she was about to die. She was under treatment for the morphia habit, and two weeks before she died gave birth to an infant which did not survive a day.

Mrs. Ives was Gertrude Sears, an opera singer and a well-known member of the Bostonians in 1890.

She was married to the financier in Lockport, N. Y., her home, in 1892. They went to live at No. 6 West Fifty-sixth street, this city, which was furnished elaborately and held several fortunes in rare bronzes, oil paintings and tapestries.

After her husband's death she moved into handsome apartments at No. 214 West One Hundred and Fourth street, which she occupied until about eight months ago.

Her husband who failed for \$12,000,000, but who at the time of his death was considered wealthy, had been a victim of the morphia habit, and had been treated for it by Dr. H. Merrill Rickert, of Cincinnati.

Mrs. Ives, it is said, also became a victim of the drug. Several months ago she went to California, and, coming East, went to Cincinnati.

She sought the care of Dr. Rickert, and was sent to the home of Mrs. Bryer, a trained nurse, at 97 Central avenue, Cincinnati.

Mrs. Ives was about thirty-two years old. Persons who recall her stage career with the Bostonians identify, remember her slender, perfect figure and pretty face. She was a blonde, as Miss Sears, of Lockport, she was famed for her beauty

and sweet voice, not only at home but in Buffalo, where for two years she was the leading soprano in the First Presbyterian Church choir.

She spent some time in Europe cultivating her voice. When she was singing in opera her sister Florence was with Augustin Daly and made a pronounced hit in the memorable production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Ives met her at a dinner party in this city and lost his heart completely. It is said that he was engaged to be married to her before the grand smash in 1895 and that she had been devoted to him all through his troubles, including his confinement in Ludlow Street Jail.

Miss Sallie Clark, the close personal friend of Mrs. Ives, was seen this afternoon at her apartments, at 227 West One Hundred and Sixteenth street.

This story is outrageous, said Miss Clark, and is not to be credited at all. I did know that Mrs. Ives was suffering from enlargement of the liver when she left this city. She was not destitute or poverty stricken.

"I lived with her until July 19 last. She was a charming little lady, loved by everybody. Though she had many admirers she had no sweetheart."

"Among her acquaintances were Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Graham, if I remember the name correctly. He was a broker, who did some business transactions for her, but did not call on her to exceed a half dozen times."

"Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Ives were very much attached to each other. They were both in the habit of going somewhere on Morningside Heights. I am confident there was no affair between them."

"Mrs. Ives was subject to hysteria. She was treated by Dr. Quigley, of West One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, and until she went away, by Dr. Olin S. Hardy, of 912 West End avenue. In hysteria her complaint was always that she was being ruined and that her money was slipping away. It seemed to bear no relation to the morphia habit."

"She was not addicted to morphia or any other drug. She did have enlargement of the liver, and Dr. William W. Van Osborn, of 99 East Forty-third street, a specialist, treated her."

"On July 19 last Mrs. Ives went to San Diego, Cal., to visit an old friend, for some time. She remained there for her regular visit, Nov. 15. She was very ill when she returned, and came East to Cincinnati to be treated at a private sanitarium, managed by a man and wife, old friends of hers and her family."

"The last letter I received from her was hopeful. I was expecting her home when I got the news of her death. It said she had died of enlargement of the liver."

"Mr. Graham's wife died a short time ago and his heart was broken, because she idolized her. Mrs. Ives, informed of her death by me, was also very much broken up and prostrated."

"Mr. Graham has now returned to Chicago, where he had formerly lived and where he and his wife knew H. S. Ives. This story about a baby is absolutely without foundation. I am in momentary expectation of the arrival of the body here."

TO SUCCEED VANDERLIP.

Milton E. Allen Named as Assistant Secretary of Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The President today nominated Milton E. Allen, of Ohio, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, vice Frank A. Vanderlip, resigned.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Thursday for New York City and vicinity: Fair and clouded cold to-night and Thursday; brisk westerly winds.

Rats, Mice and Roaches Eat Sears's Electric Pans and die outside the house, leaving no odor. 25c. Druggists and grocers.

WANT REISS REMOVED.

Stockholders Charge a Receiver with Incompetence.

Justice Gaynor today reserved decision in the application of stockholders of the John Good Cordage Company for the removal of E. Reiss, the receiver. The application was made on the ground of incompetence, and was signed by John J. Jenkins, President of the First National Bank; Charles Huse Ruter, James L. Hart and Frank Jenkins. Gaynor in his decision, however, antagonizing the application said that his client should not be removed, but should be commended for successful management.

Choate Not Enlightened.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Ambassador Choate attended the usual Foreign Office reception to-day. No information regarding Great Britain's reply on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty amendments was communicated to him.

OLD RICE POISONED; NET AROUND PATRICK

Prof. Witthaus Officially Reports Finding Poison—Valet Jones Charges Patrick with Murder of Old Millionaire.

Albert T. Patrick will be tried for the crime of murder in the first degree. He was to-day formally charged with killing by the administration of mercury and other poisons the aged millionaire, William Marsh Rice.

Prof. Rudolph A. Witthaus informed Assistant District-Attorney Osborne to-day that he had found sufficient poison in Millionaire Rice's stomach to have caused the old man's death.

"That settles it," ejaculated Mr. Osborne. "We now have sufficient evidence to convict Patrick of murder in the first degree."

Jones Makes the Charge.

Valet Jones and Prof. Witthaus appeared before Justice Jerome and swore to their affidavits. Justice Jerome then issued a warrant charging Patrick with murder in the first degree. Detective Sergt. Carey took the papers to the Tombs and served them on the lawyer.

Patrick grew ashy pale when the detective stated his mission and could only mutter feebly that he was not guilty.

Only a moment before, when a reporter had informed him what was to happen, the lawyer sneered and said: "I don't believe a word of it."

Ball Motion Withdrawn.

Patrick was brought before Judge McMahon, in Part I. of the Court of General Sessions, this afternoon, when Lawyer Martin formally withdrew the motion made yesterday for bail. Mr. Osborne was present.

"Will Your Honor permit me to execute the warrant I hold for Patrick?" "Not in this court-room," returned the Judge.

"In the corridor?" questioned Mr. Osborne. "No, I will remain here to the Tombs," said Judge McMahon.

Detective Carey then went over to the Tombs and served the warrant. Patrick will be arraigned before Justice Jerome.

Some difficulty was experienced in getting Lawyer Patrick from the Tombs to court. The Warden said he had a legal commitment for the prisoner and did not want to give him up.

Justice Jerome refused to give Assistant District-Attorney Osborne an order. Finally Mr. Osborne won his point by explaining to the warden that Patrick's case was taken before Justice Jerome.

In court the counsel for Patrick said they were not ready to proceed with the examination on the murder charge, and it was continued until Thursday, March 14. Patrick was remanded to the Tombs.

Prof. Witthaus Inspected Prof. Witthaus

to turn in his official report of his analysis within a week.

Prof. Witthaus Says Poison.

The following is the verbal report made by Prof. Witthaus:

"I was present at the autopsy upon the body of William M. Rice, mentioned in the foregoing affidavit and information of Charles F. Jones on Sept. 25, 1900. I received the viscera there as they were taken from the body of the said William M. Rice. I thereafter made a chemical analysis of a portion of the said viscera and discovered therein traces of mercury in the kidney and intestines."

I have also read the foregoing affidavit and information of Charles F. Jones. In view of the result of my analysis, in the absence of intercurrent causes of death, it is my opinion that a said affidavit and information are true the deceased William M. Rice died of mercurial poisoning."

William Marsh Rice died at his home in the Berkshire Apartments, No. 509 Madison avenue, last year. He had been ailing some time. Albert T. Patrick was his lawyer and confidential adviser. Charles S. Jones was the old millionaire's valet.

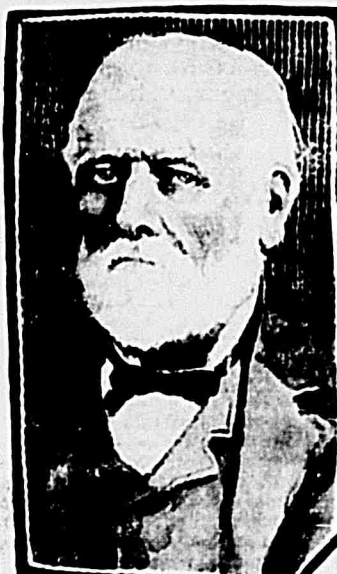
Mr. Rice and Jones lived in the apartment alone. A woman came sometimes to sweep Jones' suite on the second floor. The woman was Johnnie, the maid, and she him his medicine and lifted him to and from his bed.

Check Caused Suspicion.

On the day that Mr. Rice died Lawyer Patrick went to Swann & Co.'s bank long-house and presented a check for \$25,000. The firm, suspicious of the signature, telephoned to the Berkshire, and



ALBERT T. PATRICK.



WILLIAM MARSH RICE.

INSANE MOTHER TRIED TO KILL HER THREE CHILDREN

Mrs. Rebecca Watson, thirty-three years old, of 1791 Third avenue, during a temporary attack of insanity this afternoon, tried to throw her three children from the third-story window of her home. She was prevented by her husband, Herman, whose screams attracted a policeman, and the woman was taken to Harlem Hospital.

The driver of the ambulance, and Dr. Levy, the surgeon, had to tie the woman to the vehicle before they could remove her. She is said to have been demented for some time past.

RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS.

FOOT RACE—Salle J. J. Milt Borkin 2-Pratt 3.

\$100,000 SUIT AGAINST SHIP-BUILDERS.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 27.—Helen Lundberg, as administratrix of her father, Charles G. Lundberg, who died in New York in 1898, has brought suit against the Newport News Ship Building Company for \$100,000 for infringement on patents of certain devices for increasing the speed and safety of ocean going ships. An injunction has been applied for.

NAVAL FLEET FOR INAUGURATION.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 27.—The training ship Hazard, famous for her part in the Spanish war, and the cruisers Topeka and Lancaster, these ships will form the naval display at the inauguration.

WOMAN KILLED BY ELEVATOR.

Seeking to make a few pennies at her trade as a tailress, Mrs. Arnalda Anderson, a pretty young woman, met a shocking death in the elevator of the tall building at No. 12 East Eleventh street at noon to-day.

The young woman, who was accompanied by two men, one of whom is said to have been her husband, went to the building to secure some piecework from Lewis J. Freed & Co., who have a tailor shop on the sixth floor.

When the three stepped into the elevator, the man who runs it, Louis Carlechio, of 61 Sullivan street, was standing on the sidewalk. He started to re-enter the car it shot up quickly.

As it started to move Mrs. Anderson with a scream tried to jump out. She was caught between the elevator and the floor of the first story and instantly crushed to death. Her body stopped the progress of the elevator.

The elevator man was arrested. The two men who were with the woman jumped out over her dead body as the elevator was lowered and disappeared.

BRICK'S FALL COST \$10,000.

The falling of a brick from the walls of Richard K. Fox's Police Gazette Building a year ago cost Mrs. Margaret Koch her husband's life.

Today in Supreme Court, before Justice Lawrence, a jury gave her a verdict of \$10,000 against Fox.

William Koch, the husband, was a carpenter. He was employed in making repairs on the building when a loose brick fell from the walls above, striking him on the head. He died a few months later.

Mrs. Koch sued for \$25,000.

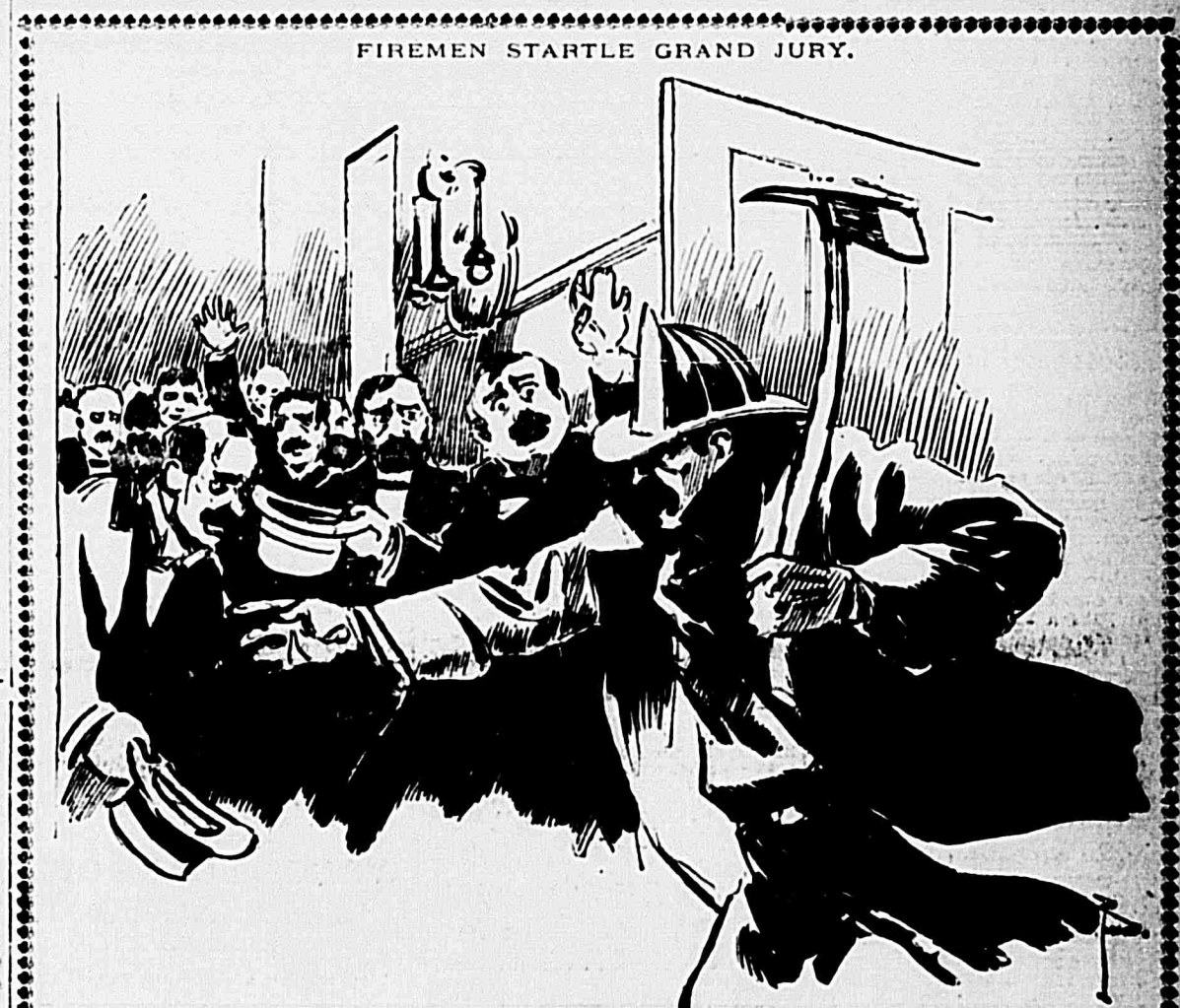
Reduced Rates to Washington.

Pennsylvania Railroad will sell tickets to Washington on account of the inauguration, at \$6.50 for the round trip from New York, good going March 1st to 31st, and returning until March 31st, inclusive.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists return the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

FLAMES IN CRIMINAL COURTS EVICT JUDGES.



FIREMEN STARTLE GRAND JURY.

When the Criminal Court Building was ablaze firemen rushed into the Grand Jury room. At once the jurors grabbed their hats and ran. All the courts were cleared.

Goff and Fursman Among Those to Fly Fire Which Destroys Many Valuable Records—Tombs Prisoners Frightened.

Panic in the Tombs and in the busy and crowded Criminal Court Building, occupying the block bounded by Centre, Leonard, Elm and White streets, was caused by fire shortly after noon to-day.

The blaze started in a rubbish heap in the attic in the northwest corner of the building. It was burning fiercely when discovered. The flames burst through the roof and consumed the flag pole before the Fire Department reached the scene.

The clang of the fire bells, the shouts of the crowd and the roar of the flames were heard by the hundreds of prisoners in the Tombs. At once the prisoners set up a shout, and peering down from their cells, clamored to be let out before they were burned to death.

Police Ave Prisoners.

A "hurry call" was sent for police, and the corridors of the prison were filled with left guards and bobbies, who tried to calm the prisoners.

In the Criminal Court Building proper the cry of fire spread confusion through four stories of busy court-rooms and public offices. The fire raged directly above the District-Attorney's suite of offices.

In one of the rooms the Grand Jury was in session. It adjourned hurriedly. They knew nothing of the fire until a fire marshal burst into the room. Clerks carried out the records. In another room Justice Jerome was holding preliminary court in connection with last night's gambling raids.

Recorder Goff was charging a jury in a murder trial when a Fire Marshal interrupted him. The court-room was at once cleared. The same procedure happened in four other court-rooms. The juries being hurriedly discharged, and the prisoners taken back to the Tombs by armed guards.

The Civil-Service Commission has its records stored in the attic of the building, and it is thought that a clerk, working among these to-day, while smoking started the fire.

Junior Cappers, whose apartments are under the roof on the southern side, was

at dinner when his wife called his attention to the smell of smoke. Opening his door he saw the fire end of the building ablaze.

When the firemen came they carried lines of hose up the stairway to the sixth floor. By fighting the fire from within the spread of the flames was quickly checked.

Some idea of what might have been the result of a great fire in the Criminal Court Building can be gleaned from the fact that in the office of Assistant District-Attorney Osborne, directly under the place where today's blaze started, were all the papers relating to the Mollney, Kennedy and Rice cases, together with many exhibits, used as evidence.

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HER 'HELLO!' WON WILLIE'S HEART

So Sixteen-Year-Old "Central" Eloped with 'Phone Boy.

On my Kettle, she is the belle. From Harlem she came down to the Battery. When she's on the wire she sets 'em on fire. For she is the Queen of the Telephone. —Chorus from "The Telephone Girl."

There must have been something wonderfully sweet and dulcet in the way Katie Albrecht used to call out "They're busy now," for young Willie Strasser fell madly in love with her a year ago, even before he had ever seen her. Now, Katie is sixteen years old, dark, and all signs are erroneous, they all say, home since then, and the police have a keen eye for the two.

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PLAGUE MENACES BRITISH.

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 27.—Seven fresh cases of bubonic plague have been reported. Two of the victims are Europeans. In a majority of the cases the spread of the disease is traceable to rats. The outbreak may necessitate evacuation of the British Army base in Port Elizabeth.